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## MATRIMONIAL EVENTS

### The Newkirk-Moore Wedding Solemnized Wednesday Night. Other Weddings.

The marriage of Mr. Harry Newkirk and Miss Gail Moore took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore, in this city last Wednesday evening, December 28th, 1904, at six o'clock. Only relatives and a few immediate friends were present.

Promptly at six o'clock Mendell-shon's wedding march was played by Mrs. C. D. Rackley, and as the last notes were sounded, Dr. J. L. Patterson of the M. E. church, very impressively performed the ceremony.

The bride's dress was of fawn colored silk voile trimmed in silk and velvet to match. She wore fern and sacred lillies. The groom was pleasingly attired in a suit of black. The attendants were Misses Sybil Burney and Gladys Moore.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the attendants led the way to the dining room which was decorated in red and white where an elaborate three course dinner was served. A most attractive feature of the table was an elegant bridal cake which was presented by Mr. and Mrs. John Luallen.

The bride and groom received many beautiful and useful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Newkirk left on the nine o'clock train for their future home in Kiowa. Their friends did not forget the rice showers and other tokens of good-will.

The bride is one of the twin daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Moore. She is a cultured young lady, pleasant and cordial among her associates, and enjoys the good will and esteem of all who know her. She was born and raised in Medicine Lodge.

Mr. Newkirk was formerly in the barber business in this city but is now engaged in the same business at Kiowa. He is a man of energy and push and has a bright future before him.

Enoch F. Thompson, who formerly lived a bachelor's life in Mingo township, was married a few weeks ago to a wealthy Pennsylvania lady at Glenn Rock, Missouri. Mr. Thompson wrote to W. T. Collins last week informing him of his new possession, and says that he and his bride may come to Medicine Lodge to reside. Enoch has been looking for the right kind of a wife for many years and the Index is glad to learn that he has succeeded. We are also pleased to learn that he will come back to Barber. The republicans will have good timber for representative again.

Leo L. Sills of Cherokee, Oklahoma, and Jessie C. Rudolph of Kiowa, Kans., were married Tuesday evening, January 3, 1905. This was one of the popular weddings of southern Barber of the season, both parties being very widely and favorably known in society circles.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH OFFICERS.

The annual election of officers for the Christian church was held Sunday morning, January first, and the following officers were elected: Elders, J. M. Sears, Wm. Kenney, Clarence Thompson.

Deacons, Lewis Balding, Ed Miller, R. J. Taliaferro, T. M. Kidd. Treasurer, John Finley. Clerk, C. W. Kidd. Trustee, A. W. Flint.

A meeting of the newly elected board is called for Wednesday evening (this evening) at 7:30, at the church, and all members are urged to be present. A. O. WALKER, Minister of the Church.

## PARTIAL OLD SANTA.

Santa Claus is a very partial individual according to our way of sizing him up. He smiles on some people but "passes others up." E. E. Hagerman was one of the most fortunate ones we heard of. At the Christmas tree at Lockard he got a fine leather purse containing \$16 and when he got to town he found a letter among his mail containing a check for \$35, enough to meet a payment due on his residence property. We try not to be envious, but we have several anxious creditors on either side of the street who we doubt not would feel much relieved if Mr. Santa would drop a few checks and purses in our vicinity. When next Christmas rolls around we propose to borrow Mr. Hagerman's lightning conductor.

## NEW YEAR BANQUETS.

The Monday Afternoon Club banqueted their husbands and a few invited guests at the Grand hotel on Saturday night. An elegant supper was spread and the dining room and parlor were tastily decorated by the members of the club. Miss Mary Taber was toastmistress and W. H. McCague responded. Other speeches were made and interesting papers read by Messrs. S. I. Field, F. R. Ellis, Samuel Griffin, C. W. Ellis, Otis Lorton, Mrs. W. H. McCague and Mrs. E. H. Nixon. Instrumental music and readings and impersonations were also features of the entertainment.

On Monday night Thos. Best gave his annual supper and banquet to the gypsum mill and quarry employees. The attendance embraced all who are in any way connected with the institution and there was an abundance for all to eat and smoke. Vocal and instrumental music and toasts were after dinner indulgences, and it is needless to say the evening was heartily enjoyed. The banquet was given in the Grand hotel parlor.

## A VERY SAD AFFAIR.

Miss Eva Bailey died at Kiowa on Tuesday, December 27th, 1904, after suffering only a few days with peritonitis. Drs. Cloud and Burnette of Kiowa, attended her and in her last hours her uncle, H. A. Bailey, of Eldred, called T. A. Coleman of this city into the case, but when Dr. Coleman got to Kiowa she was beyond assistance.

Miss Bailey's parents reside at Lyndon, Kansas. She lived with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bailey of Elwood township, this fall and winter, and she and her cousin, Miss Louise Bailey, were attending school at Kiowa when she took sick. She was a beautiful girl and beloved by all who knew her. During her short residence in the southern part of the county she made many friends and her sudden death brings a heavy cloud of grief over the homes of her relatives as well as numerous friends in Barber and Osage counties.

The body was conveyed to Lyndon for burial on Wednesday.

## SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. C. T. McMann, of Seymour, Kansas, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday, morning and evening. Everybody is invited to attend the services.

## ANOTHER FIRE AT KIOWA.

The Congregational church at Kiowa was burned early last Thursday morning. The fire was caused by an overheated furnace. The church was built in 1892. It was nicely furnished. The cost of building and furniture was about \$5,000. It was insured for \$3,300.

## Don't forget to write it 1905.

Those suits for men and boys are the finest out.—Woodward & Son

Jack Nester returned from his visit at Great Bend Monday night.

The bailing word at the post-office these days: "Are you onto the combination?"

People say that the finest groceries in town are at H. T. Woodward & Son's. Phone 38.

Dr. R. B. Hammond and wife returned home from their visit at Steele City, Neb., yesterday.

Will Jarvis who teaches the Elm Mills school, spent vacation week in Emporia and Kansas City.

The New Year ball at the opera house was a great affair. It was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed.

Thos. Ewing of Kiowa, one of the head men of the J. W. Metz Mercantile Co., was a visitor here Saturday.

A nice big girl brightened the home of F. J. Wadsworth and wife last Wednesday morning, Dec. 28. Dr. Coleman in attendance.

Dr. Geo. W. Ayer went to Dodge City last Thursday to visit with his son, George, jr., the Santa Fe superintendent of that division.

New telephone directories were put out by the Medicine Lodge Telephone Company on Monday. There are now nearly 100 subscribers.

Fred R. Ellis of Lawton, spent the holidays visiting with his parents and friends here. He is city attorney of Lawton—the only republican official in that city.

Nothing but the very best material used in all classes of work at Dr. Wiley's dental office. Teeth extracted positively without pain. Office over H. D. Fair's store.

Miss Margaret Keller of Independence, Kansas, visited with Miss Jessie Ellis last week. Miss Keller is stenographer for the Vulcan Oil and Gas Co. at Independence.

D. W. Stone was up in Lyons during the storm last week. He says that it was mild here compared with what it was there. The "spell" produced 8-inch ice in Rice county.

Mrs. L. A. Rudolph and daughter, Miss Alice, went to Kiowa on Saturday to visit with the family of K. F. Rudolph and to attend the wedding of Miss Jessie Rudolph which took place last night.

Jas. Whippo returned to his home at Ochiltree, Texas, on Sunday. Mr. Whippo played the clarinet in the orchestra at the New Year ball, and his assistance was strong. Mr. Whippo is county clerk of Ochiltree county and a cordial, pleasant gentleman. We hope he will visit us again.

"Blue Grass Echoes" is a new favorite Two-Step just published by the Riley-Johnson Company of Kansas City. The Journal says it is "bright and catchy" and is making a great "hit." All the same the Index will venture the assertion, backed up by a little side-bet, that it is tame compared with the "Blue Grass Echoes" we have been having right here in Medicine Lodge.

John Fralich returned from Wichita Wednesday where he is taking a series of treatments from Dr. Bass of that city. Mr. Fralich has spent over \$1000 for treatment without relief but he is very much pleased with the result of the treatment he is now receiving, and he feels better now than he has for many years. Mr. Fralich says that last week's storm was much more severe in Wichita than it was here.

## ALMOST FATAL.

### An Overdose of Aconite Came Near Ending the Life of Herbert Newsom of Sharon.

The friends of Herbert Newsom of Sharon were startled to hear last Thursday evening that he was lying at the point of death on account of accidentally taking an overdose of aconite, a deadly poison. Mr. Newsom had a severe cold and headache and, as people usually do, went to the Warren drug store at Sharon and asked the pharmacist, Miss Metta Warren, to fix up a dose of aconite. Miss Warren did so but got the dose too large. She discovered the mistake almost instantly after it was made and went to H. H. Fair's store where Mr. Newsom was working and told him about it and urged him to lose no time in going to Dr. Atwell for relief. Mr. Newsom, however, did not appear to be excited and took his own time in driving out to the Doctor's home which is about two miles from town, and in the meantime he became sick. He was then hurriedly driven out and when he got there the chances for his recovery were very poor. Dr. Atwell, however, went right to work with him and in three hours had him out of danger.

The accident is very much regretted by Miss Warren and her brother, F. J. Warren, who own the drug store, and would give a great deal if it had not happened. Miss Warren had filled a great many similar prescriptions for children and she thought that Mr. Newsom, being a grown person, should have a larger dose, but she made it larger than she intended. To make it still more dangerous, Mr. Newsom has some little heart trouble and had been taking medicine to overcome it. This was not known by Miss Warren and she prepared the aconite supposing that Herbert was not afflicted in any other way except the trouble for which the medicine was desired.

The accident was certainly a shocking one but all rejoice that it terminated so luckily and none are quite as thankful as the Warren Drug Co. It is an experience that they will never forget and one that will not be repeated.

## REV. J. W. FUNK DEAD.

Rev. J. W. Funk who several years ago was the Presbyterian minister in this city, died at his home in Wichita on Sunday morning—New Year day. He was 53 years old. Bright's Disease caused his death. A death notice was sent to Eugene Youmans and wife of this city.

## A NIGHT WATCH.

The city mayor and council at the regular meeting on Monday night granted a night watch on a petition presented and signed by the business men and citizens. Registers will be put in so that tab can be kept on the marshal. If he fails to make his "beats" there will be no pay.

The mayor and council will meet again tomorrow night to make the appointment. So far there are only two applicants, Chas. Long and Fred Phye, sr.

A new stock of Dress Goods and a large variety to select from. They are on display at the new store. A. B. Wilkins & Co. Phone No. 69.

Mrs. Jesse Clark and children of Wellington visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wilson part of last and this week, returning home on Monday. Mrs. Clark is Mrs. Wilson's brother's wife.

E. H. Williams and wife returned from their visit in Texas, Monday.

The New Year was born smiling, but the closing days of the old were tumultuous.

Mrs. Maggie Roberts came up from Hennessey on a short business trip on Monday.

Clark Macy of Wichita came in Saturday to visit Medicine Lodge friends a few days.

The Knights of Pythias have their new hall completed and will move into it this week.

Apples in bulk or crate for \$1.15 per bushel. Best in town. A. B. Wilkins & Co. Phone 69.

W. C. Alford of Hazelton was one of the first from a distance to transact business in commissioners court on Monday.

J. C. Walstad went to Kiowa yesterday to furnish violin music, assisted by A. Rossi, at the Sills-Rudolph wedding.

W. M. Baker, the Harper expert house mover, was transacting business in the city on Monday. See his card in the Index.

Will Merrill, agent for the Equitable, distributed some beautiful calendars the first of the year. It is good advertising matter.

Born to Charley Barnett and wife, residing west of the city, on Thursday, December 29th, a girl. Dr. Coleman in attendance.

The Christian Endeavor will give an entertainment and box supper at Walstad school house Friday evening, Jan. 13th, 1905.

G. W. Fain, the Sharon liveryman, will sell his horses and vehicles at public sale next Wednesday, January 11. He has some good ones.

White Rapids Flour insures good eating. A. B. Wilkins & Co. handle it. Call up phone 69 and get a sack today. Try it and you will use none other.

Seward I. Field and E. E. McCleary assisted the probate judge in making the quarterly examination of the county treasurer's accounts the first of the week.

Sherman Roach and wife of Sharon township are the parents of a daughter born last Thursday morning, December 29th. Dr. Coleman.

W. O. Horr and wife arrived last week to visit a week with Medicine Lodge friends. Mr. Horr is now located at Amarillo, Texas, where he has a cattle ranch. He says Medicine Lodge looks better than it did when he left nine or ten years ago.

Tom McNeal, in a lengthy article in the Mail and Breeze, takes exception to that part of the State Journal's write-up of him, in which it says he founded the Medicine Lodge Cresset, and started Senator Long on the road to fame by appointing him city attorney.

Postmaster Titus, true to his word, had the new postoffice in operation on the first of the new year. In the main, the new outfit suits him, but he is going to put on a few improvements in the interior for his own convenience. If the Captain were a vain man he would have a right to feel a bit proud in his new surroundings.

The storm last week got the better of the city deliveryman, J. C. Wright. He was taken very seriously ill on Thursday morning while delivering a sack of feed and became unconscious, and when he regained consciousness the feed was lying on top of him. He was taken home and Dr. Coleman was called. On Saturday morning he was able to go to work again.

## PORT ARTHUR FALLEN.

The Japs took Port Arthur Sunday morning. Gen. Stoessel for the Russians, surrendered. They first blew up all the ships in the harbor. The long looked for at last has happened and it probably means a speedy solution of the war in the far East.

## HIS FIRST "SURPRISE."

"Grandpa" Morgan of Sharon learned last week what the penalty is for saying he never had a "surprise" birthday party. On Wednesday, December 28th, was his birthday and some of his neighbors heard him say he never enjoyed a birthday party. A lot of his neighbors headed by Mrs. C. H. Wisner and Mrs. Geo. Robinson formed a conspiracy and got up a surprise that Mr. Morgan can always remember with pride and it was no make-believe surprise either. About forty men, women and children assembled at his home to celebrate his birthday and one of the best dinners ever served in America was spread for the occasion. Those who were fortunate enough to be there, were: Mr. Patrick, wife and daughter, Rev. George Robinson and wife, Del Morgan and family, Mr. Moses and wife, John Suhler and wife, Mrs. Rogers and children, Mrs. Sherman and son, Mrs. Stevens and children, Mrs. C. H. Wisner, Miss Estella Wisner, W. J. Gordon and wife.

W. E. Stout has the largest and finest assortment of winter lap robes ever brought to the city, also a large line of harness and saddles. Purchasers should see his stock.

## HE WAS A GOOD BOUNCER.

St. Louis Fair Yarn About the Great Leaper.

The top of the wireless telegraphy tower at St. Louis was a favorite place for sight-seers, says the Illinois State Journal, and, while they gazed in admiration at the picture of the fair spread before them, employees of the company used to have fun with the visitors and to throw in a few horrors not down on the programme. "Is the man going to jump off today, Bill?" one would ask innocently, as though jumping off were a part of the regular programme.

The crowd starts back in amazement. Finally one young lady recovers her breath and, looking timidly at the ground far below, asks, "Does a man really jump off?"


Bill ignores her question, but to a fellow employee replies, "No; since the accident last week they haven't found a man to make the jump."

Everybody wants to know about the accident and Bill explains: "The pneumatic boots that they use to break the force of the fall were pumped too full of air, so when he struck the ground he bounced back and kept bounding and was unable to stop."

"And how did they finally rescue him?" asks the horror-stricken young lady.

"They didn't," replies Bill. "He kept bounding and bounding and finally they had to shoot him to keep him from starving to death."

## NOTICE! REWARD.

Strayed or stolen from my ranch 12 miles northwest of Kiowa, Kansas, 4 head of cattle, one-year-olds last spring, branded  (quarter-circle V) on left hip, marked either half under-slope or half under-crop in each ear. I will pay a reasonable reward for information or delivery of same.

I will also pay a Reward of \$250.00 for the conviction of any person stealing stock in any of above brands or marks.

V. S. COOK